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FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION LONDON INFO ISLAMABAD, NEW DELHI
FROM STATE OCT 11:

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 243881

E.O. 11652: XGDS

TAGS: UK, IN, PK

SUBJECT: MEETING WITH FCO ON SOUTH ASIA

REF: LONDON 16261

1. PARA 7 OF REFTTEL INQUIRED ABOUT POSSIBLE POLICY GUID-
ANCE ON ISSUE OF SALE OF JAGUAR TO PAKISTAN OR INDIA FOR
FORTHCOMING EMBASSY MEETING WITH O'NEILL, HEAD OF THE FCO
SOUTH ASIA OFFICE. AS EMBASSY IS AWARE, U.S. REMAINS CON-
CERNED ABOUT THE SALE OF THE JAGUAR TO EITHER INDIA OR
PAKISTAN. IN OUR VIEW, UNLIKE THE HARRIER, THE JAGUAR WOULD
CLEARLY REPRESENT A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN THE OFFENSIVE
CAPABILITY OF ITS PURCHASER, IMPACT SIGNIFICANTLY ON THE
STRATEGIC BALANCE OF THE SUBCONTINENT, AND CONTRIBUTE TO AN
ARMS RACE. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE U.S. IS UNWILLING
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TO SELL SIMILAR AIRCRAFT TO ANY COUNTRY IN SOUTH ASIA.

2. WE SUGGEST THAT YOU MAKE THESE POINTS IF THE SUBJECT OF
THE JAGUAR SHOULD ARISE AS A GENERAL EXPRESSION OF OUR CON-
CERN. YOU MAY WISH TO ADD THAT OUR RESERVATIONS WERE ALSO
EXPRESSED BY PM DIRECTOR GELB TO HEAD OF CHANCERY RUSSELL
DURING THEIR SEPTEMBER 12 MEETING IN DEPARTMENT, MEMCON OF

WHICH WAS POUCHED TO ADDRESSEES. YOU CAN ADD THAT IN A SUB-

SEQUENT MEETING GELB INFORMED RUSSELL THAT AT SOME POINT WE WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS OUR RESPECTIVE ARMS SALES POLICIES TO SOUTH ASIAN COUNTRIES IN GREATER DEPTH, POINT TO WHICH RUSSELL DID NOT RESPOND SUBSTANTIVELY BUT WHOSE UTILITY HE APPEARED TO ACCEPT. WE EXPECT TO RECEIVE SOME MORE FORMAL REACTION FROM THE BRITISH TO THIS IDEA AND AT THIS POINT, THEREFORE, BELIEVE YOU SHOULD CONFINE YOURSELF TO LIMITED RESPONSE OUTLINED ABOVE.

3. WE ASSUME ALSO THAT YOU HAVE SEEN ISLAMABAD 9857 REPORTING ABSENCE OF PAK INTEREST IN THE JAGUAR. VANCE UNQUOTE VANCE

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